

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2001 Assembly Bill 665

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1

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Under current law, no person is permitted to operate a school bus with a trailer or semi-trailer attached. Assembly Bill 665, as originally introduced, would have allowed the operation of a school bus with a trailer or semi-trailer attached if the school bus was equipped with a side emergency exit door or side emergency exit windows.

PROVISIONS OF THE SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 provides that the current restrictions on the use of a trailer or semi-trailer do not apply to a school bus that is required to be registered under ch. 341 and that is registered in another jurisdiction in which the law of that jurisdiction permits the school bus to be operated with a trailer or semi-trailer attached.

The substitute amendment retains the initial applicability section of the original bill. That provision provides that the act first applies to violations committed on the effective date of the subsection but does not preclude the counting of other violations as prior violations for sentencing a person.

The substitute amendment makes no other changes to the original legislation.

COMMITTEE VOTES

The Assembly Tourism and Recreation Committee on January 8, 2002 voted in executive session to adopt Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 on a vote of Ayes, 8; Noes, 0; and also recommended passage of the bill as amended on a vote of Ayes, 8; Noes, 0.

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